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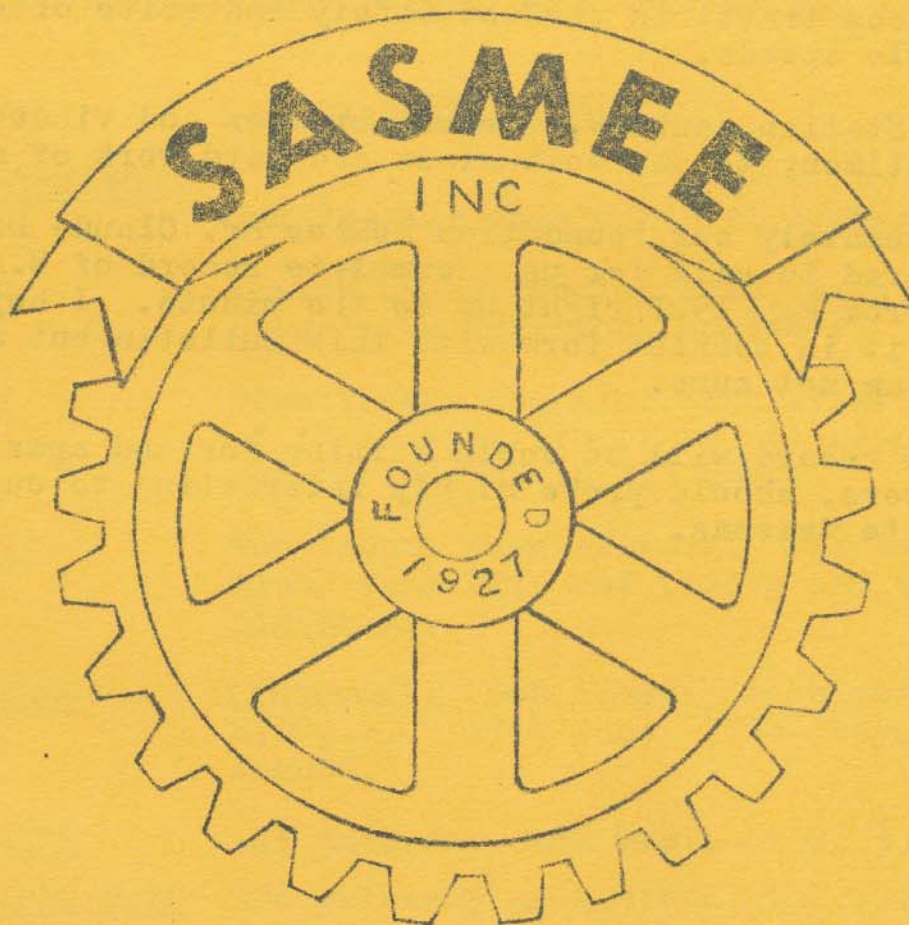
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BULLETIN

THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY

OF MODEL AND EXPERIMENTAL ENGINEERS.



EDITORIAL

This Bulletin celebrates S.A.S.M.E.E.'S fortieth birthday and I must confess that it would require a far better pen than mine to chronicle even a bare outline of what has transpired over the past forty years relative to our Society. For one thing my association with S.A.S.M.E.E. is only at four and a half years, a mere infant compared to many other members, so I can only record that period of which I am familiar. Even in that short span of time we have witnessed the enlargement of the Loco track to 1602 feet along which the largest 5" gauge locos travel in perfect safety and quite often well over scale speeds.

The Station, subway, various bridges and viaduct all bear testimony to the enthusiasm and hard work of members.

Fortunately our Foundation Member Mr. Claude Miller, has offered to edit for us a complete record of S.A.S.M.E.E. dating from May 1927 right up to the minute. I hope to include it in booklet form with this Bulletin but at this stage I am not sure.

This record will be worth waiting for and apart from our own Members, should prove highly interesting to our many Interstate friends.

The long awaited Easter Convention has run its short and meteoric course and our only regret is that instead of four days it could have been forty, one for each year of our happy association.

I will try to enlarge on Easter on another page and recall those happy hours when the sole topic of conversation was the amazing effect of burning briquettes has upon a mass of metal containing water.

The Annual General Meeting sprung a few surprises notably in a 75% change in the Committee but as most members remarked "A bit of young blood is necessary in any organisation", and with Max keeping a light rein on their enthusiasm I feel sure that our NEW President, John Wakefield should experience a very happy term in his difficult job of head of the family, and now mature S.A.S.M.E.E. can march forward into the future, secure in its experience gained over the years.

QUARTERLEY AGENDA

GENERAL MEETINGS

1967

2nd Tuesday each month at 8.00 p.m.

13th JUNE

A talk by Mr. Dudley Both, Assistant Signal and Telegraph Engineer.

11th JULY

Owan Thomas and Alec Bradley will tell of their experiences in building "Maisie" and "Meredith" in 3½" gauge.

8th AUGUST

The Annual show of work. Please bring along your bits and pieces and win a big prize.

INTERMEDIATE MEETINGS.

(Informal) 4th Tuesday each month at 8.00p.m. 27th June, 25th July, 22nd August.

WORKING BEES

1st Saturday each month at 2. p.m.

PUBLIC FIELD DAYS

3rd Saturday each month at 2.p.m. 17th June, 15th July, 19th August.

CANTEEN ROSTERS

GENERAL CLUB MEETINGS (Tuesday nights.)

<u>JUNE.</u>	<u>JULY.</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>
T. ENGLAND.	M. TURNER	J. MOORFIELD.
M. DUNKLEY.	A. FRANKHAM.	P. GRISCTI.

RESERVES

A. SMALL.	B. GREENSLADE.	C. MILLER.
		PHONE 461520.

FIELD DAYS 3rd Saturday each month.

<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>
G. Thomas	G. Thomas	C. Thomas
A. Small	B. Homan	R. Collins
<u>RESERVES</u>	D. Irving	C. Miller.

IMPORTANT NOTE

IF UNABLE TO ATTEND AS PER ABOVE ROSTERS
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THAT A RESERVE CAN BE NOTIFIED IN TIME.

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THE SYDNEY LIVE STEAM LOCOMOTIVE SOCIETY

Mention is made of members' trip to Adelaide at Easter with humorous allusion to their trials and tribulations on the way over and their appreciation of our efforts to make their stay an enjoyable one.

S.A.S.L.E.E. CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. Spry for the recent arrival of a daughter. Perhaps by the time she is old enough, we may have a lady modellers section.

It gave us all pleasure to make an old member, Bert Woods, an Honorary Member. Bert, who has been in ill health, wished to resign, but we preferred to retain him as a member and by a unanimous vote made him an Honorary. All our best wishes Bert and may you quickly regain your strength and keep on with the good work.

Mr. C. Schaumlöffel of the South Australian Railways has kindly consented to become Vice Patron of our Society and we look forward to meeting him when his official duties permit.

The question of purchasing a quantity of Pressure Gauges came up recently, and I was instructed to make enquiries from 3 interstate modellers, who have purchased a make that we are interested in. We would like to thank Messrs. D. Cross, C.J. Chapman and C. Campbell for their prompt replies to our enquiry.

We have recently had the pleasure of a visit by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson of Sydney, and Mr. Allan Broad of New Zealand.

Member Morrie Turner returned a few weeks ago from a holiday in Western Australia. He was greatly impressed with the growing popularity of 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " gauge locos.

On April 29th the Apex Club of Blackwood staged a Field Day with our assistance and a large crowd of children and adults were entertained with train rides, speed and other types of boats and steam working models.

Among those who assisted are the following.

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM: Allan Frankham.

STEAM HOUSE: Frank Earle.

DIRECTING LOCO TRAFFIC: Harry Pearce,
Bob Brown.

STATION SUPERINTENDENTS Ralph Stephens.

BOATS

N. KERNICK. Hydro-plane.

B. PERRIN Steam-Dufter.

H. Croker Jumbo

C. MANNING Atlantic Cargo-Boat.

B. SMITH. Cargo Boat.

LOCOS

O. THOMAS 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Meredith.

J. MOORFIELD. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " W.A.R. Diesel.

J. WAKEFIELD. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " BANTAM COCK.

T. ENGLAND. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Brittania

M. TURNER. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Jubilee.

A. Wallace 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Juliet.

B. SMITH 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Lady Norrie.

C. BURDEN. 5" Brittania.

My apologise if I have overlooked any member.

Allan Frankham created an amusing diversion when he appeared riding a miniature motir-cycle which he has constructed recently.

In last quarters Bulletin I made mention of the good work being done by several members who are repairing the Club House seats. Inadvertantly I omitted Charlie Manning. Please accept my apologies, Charlie.

At our April General Meeting it was decided to accede to a request from the Australian Railway Historical Society to assist their Railway Museum Fund. To do this we are donating half the gate taking on our May and June Field Days. A letter from their Secretary states that these two days will be extensively advertised within their Society and we can look forward to an excellent attendance to help their plans financially.

With regret we must accept from John Buckingham's resignation from S.A.S.M.E.E. but a home comes first. John was married last Saturday May 13th and all of us wish him and his bride the greatest happiness for the future.

We have also received a resignation from Brian Scudds. Here again this approaching marriage renders this step necessary, but we hope that he will return to our Society when he has returned from his studies abroad and find time to pursue his hobby with us.

Members Attention is called to an Auction to be held at the Club House on the July off night, July 25th, when the contents of the Late W.C. McKays workshop will be sold. Try to attend, as the proceeds will be of help to Mrs. McKay.

A warm welcome is extended to new member, Desmond B. Allen. Des is interested in Locomotives and we wish him many happy hours in his modelling activities.

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TWO RADIO CONTROL UNITS. FOR PRICE AND DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT

GEOFF CRAM.

BOX 24.

YONGALA. South Australia.

It is pleasing to mention our very promising young member, Allan Wallace, who has recently constructed a 3½" gauge Juliet and has had a number of successful runs with it. I understand that he has started the building of an 0-6-0 loco in 3½" gauge. We shall look forward to watching his progress his new project and wish him every success with it.

Another visitor, present at our May Field Day, was Les Lamb, President of Lake McQuarie Society. He brought with him both movie and still cameras and after making good our use of same had a few laps with a members loco. He spent the weekend at my home where we discussed modelling in general.

THE 1967 EASTER CONVENTION

After months of waiting and preparation the great day arrived and Good Friday Morning witnessed a steady flow of visitors from Interstate. The members rostered for the gate were kept busy for hours greeting old friends and making welcome new ones. A fair sprinkling of the fair sex and children helped to make the scene a bright one and in a very short time groups of enthusiasts were to be seen all around the Park. Locos were quickly unpacked and in next to no time the steaming up Bay was fully occupied. Columns of lovely smelling smoke could be seen billowing out of loco chimneys of all shapes and sizes, lengths and diamentions. One by one the proud owners opened the drain cocks, blew out the condensed water, warmed up the cylinders and carerully backed out on to the main track. Riding trucks were quickly coupled on and they were off for a few quiet laps to get the feel of the road. The long trip to Adelaide was quickly forgotten and four glorious days stretched ahead to the steady beat of the exhaust and the sight of the flashing rods. Nobody worried about cinders in his eye or a hold burnt in a shirt. Hour after hour they kept on driving and one grew dizzy watching the engines flashing by. Although Friday morning was rather cold with a few spots of rain, by lunch time the sun decided to take a look and see what was goind on, and from then on the weather became fina and all our troubles were forgotten.

AN APOLOGY

I wish to apologise for the delay in printing of this issue of the C.A.S.M.E.E. Bulletin, due to circumstances beyond my control, and hope in future we will be able to keep to our current dates of issue.

Also owing to a slight typing error the new office Bearers names have not been altered on the back page as stated, but I am including them on the next page.

Thanking you,

TOM ENGLAND

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HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE

TWO HOURS IF YOU WAIT FOR IT

ONE IF YOU DON'T!

Luncheon was announced and the Club House was packed with the hungry crowd. Modesty prevents us from dwelling on the food provided but I think that everybody was thoroughly satisfied with the fare. Although the job of catering was mainly attended to by members, quite a few ladies added the final touch and showed the men a trick or two and I would like to record our thanks to them for their help. With this important part of the proceedings over, running was commenced again (or did it stop at all?) and by 3.30p.m. there were probably between 20 and 30 locos slowly puffing their way around the 1600 feet of track. It probably took about 10 minutes to do one lap owing to the conjection, but this did not dampen their enthusiasm and at times their progress resembled traffic on the South Road at Holidiay Time. Added to all this, the boat boys were showing the paces of their various craft. Saturday was very much the same as Friday interspersed with morning tea (greatly appreciated) luncheon and afternoon tea. Around about 4.45p.m., our cooks, Alan, Max and Tom lit up a fire and soon the delicious aroma of barbecued chops and sausages filled the air and for a hour happy groups of people sat and stood around licking their fingers and swapping the tall stories that every good modeller is so adapt at. When all had had their fill, we adjourned to the Club House and were delighted and amused with Alan Frankham and his puppet. Then for an hour or so we were entertained by a very fine film show, and so ended the two main days of really serious running. On Sunday morning Delegates from the various Clubs attended a meeting to discuss the Draft of the Boiler Safety Code.

Mr. J. Welch opened the meeting and introduced Mr. C. Gunning, who then took the Chair and from then on conducted the meeting.

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I will not go into detail as the Minutes have been sent to all Clubs, but simply say that the Meeting was very successful and most of our problems on this very important matter were ironed out and soon we should have a set of rules, satisfactory for all concerned.

Sunday afternoon was spent with various parties sightseeing, visiting the Historical Club's set-up at Mile End and my wife and I had the pleasure of entertaining about two dozen visitors at my home.

Whilst all this was taking place, a limited amount of running on the track continued until darkness fell.

Monday came along all too soon and on every hand you could hear the good-byes and hope to see you soon wishes being uttered. Trailers and car boots were being loaded with their precious gear and by about 2.30 p.m. only a small number were left to swap experiences, discuss the various merits of steam feed water pumps, injectors etc. Invitations to attend the 1968 Convention in Melbourne at the opening of the Moorabbin Track were extended to us and other clubs, and we were assured of a wonderful reception.

Like all good things, the magical four days were finally over and we returned to our homes with but one thing in our minds: "What a wonderful brotherhood Modelling has brought to this world". There are probably many incidents which I have not mentioned, but I have simply tried to give an overall picture as I saw it. If everyone enjoyed themselves only half as much as I did then all the effort and the long car trips were amply justified.

The following is a list of visitors and their locos under the various state headings.

S.A.S.M.E.E. EASTER MEETING
MARCH 24th -27th 1967

LOCOS

NEW SOUTH WALES

JACK HARVEY

Sec, Sydney Society, Model
Engineers.
3½" Pacific N.S.W. G38 Class.

JOHN HARTLEY

Lack McQuarie.
3½" 4.6.0 Great Western "Ivy Hall"

PETER SMITH

Lake McQuarie
5" Pac. Freelance, Baltimore & Ohio

JIM RANFORD

Sydney Live Steamers.
5" C.8.0 N.S.W. T Class (1065)

JOHN GREEN

Blue Mountains Railway Society
5" Pacific Freelance, "Mountaineer".
B. M. & W.

BARRY GLOVER

Illawarra Live Steamers.
5" 0.8.0 "Netta".

JOHN LOGAN

Sydney Live Steamers
3½" 4.4.0 Director Class

RAY LEE

Sydney Live Steamers
5" N.S.W. 4.6.0. P Class

JOHN HURST

Sydney Live Steamers.
5" 4.8.2. Freelance "Baby"

N.S.W. CONTINUED

CEC GUNNING

Sydney Live Steamers
3½" Pac. Freelance 7501.

NEAL CAMBELL

Sydney Live Steamers
5" Pac. "The Old Girl"

B RRY TULLOCK

Sydney Live Steamers
5" 2.8.0. J5 N.S.W. 483

JOHN MANN

Sydney Live Steamers
2½" 4.4.0 Freelance (partly built
but running)

KEVIN BRUDERLIN

Lake McQuarie.
3½" 2.6.2. Tank "Firefly" (partly
built, not running).

WHYALLA. SOUTH AUSTRALIA

NEAL JOHNS

5" 0.6.0 Diesel, Freelance.

VICTORIA

DR. ROBIN ORR

Surrey Hills Live Steamers
5" Pacific

ERN CLARK

Vic. Min.Steam Loco. Society.
Bendigo.
3½" Vic. I Class 4.6.4

DAVE SMITH

Surrey Hills Live Steamers
3½" Freelance. 0.4.0 N.G. Tank

TED RICKARD &
TED CALDWELL

Surrey Hills Live Steamers
3½" Pacific "Hielan Lassie"
Sunstream.

CLIFF KIRBY

Melbourne. S.M.E.E.
3½" 0.4.0 (Noela)

FRANK CARRIG

Melbourne S.M.E.E.E.
3½" Pacific (Tania).

COLIN CAMBELL

Surrey Hills Live Steamers
3½" Pacific "Hielan Lassie".

BRIAN PENTLAND

Bendigo
3½" 2.6.2 Bantam-Cock

S. A. S. M. E. E.

MORRIE TURNER

5" Pacific (Brittania)
5" S.A.R. 520 Class. Partly built

CLARRIE BURDEN

5" Brittania. Partly built, in
running order.

ALLAN WALLIS

3½" 0.4.0 (Mark)

BOB SMITH

3½" S.A.R. (900 Class diesel)
3½" S.A.R. (520 Class 4.8.4. Partly
built, in running order).

OWEN THOMAS

3½" 4.4.2 Freelance (Meredith)

TOM ENGLAND

3½" Brittania

KEITH BRADFORD

5" Tank (Firefly)

S.A.S.M.E.E. Continued.

<u>RALPH SKEWES</u>	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 2.6.4. Tank (Jubilee). 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 0.6.4. Tank K Class.
<u>DAVE WORRALL</u>	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Brittanica
<u>JOHN MOREFIELD</u>	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " W.A.G.R. Deisel
<u>JIM THURMER</u>	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 4.4.0 Freelance, from Southern T9. English maker.
<u>HARRY FEARCE</u>	5" 4.6.0 King Class. Partly built
<u>BOB BROWN</u>	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " S.A.R. 400 Class N.G. 4.8.2. + 2.8.4 Beyer-Garret. Partly built
<u>MURRAY MITCHELL</u>	5" 0.6.0 Tank (Butch)

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At a well attended meeting of Members, the final business of the year was dealt with, the Treasurer and Secretary presented their reports and the retiring President, Mr. J. Welch then called on Mr. K. Hercus to conduct the ballot for the various offices declared vacant.

It is with confidence that we congratulate Mr. J. Wakefield for gaining the important Office of President and I voice all of our members in promising full support. The Committee sprung a surprise by the election of three new members, all with a particular good background of technical know-how. With one or two exceptions the remaining Offices remained unchanged and we should have another successful year with the injection of new blood assisted by the guiding hands of our oldermembers.

For the complete list of Offices please refer to the back cover.

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